CHICO FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY BOARD MEETING MINUTES SEPTEMBER 17, 2013

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Members in attendance:

Margaret Bomberg	Ann Elliott	Marian Milling
Debbie Cobb	Diane Friedman	Joan Ohlmstead
Patti Conlin	Fe Howard	Sarah Vantrease
Gerald Davis	Don Kidd	Mary Wahl
Susan Davis	Rupert McDowell	

Guests: Jen Rold, Mel Lightbody, Maureen Jeffers

MEETING CALLED TO ORDER

Rupert McDowell called the meeting to order at 7:00pm.

APPROVAL OF MINUTES

The August, 2013, minutes were approved (m/s/c Wahl/Bomberg).

TREASURER'S REPORT

The August 31, 2013, Treasurer's Report was approved (m/s/c Bomberg/Milling). We are moving \$50,000 into the Building Fund.

BOOK SALE:

September Volunteer appreciation is going along. We made over \$6000 for the month. The carts in the lobby are selling well.

NEWSLETTER:

Diane Friedman covered the topics for the October newsletter and authors' commitments were made to get the articles to editor, Jen Rold, by October 1.

LIBRARIAN'S REPORT

New programs in the Fall:

Seed Library opening coincides with Fall Festival;

bike repair class;

author visit (Graf);

Sunday hours funds pay for part time positions - 2 hired, Nicole Knight from Alaska with good library experience pursuing lib degree & Ricardo Ramirez from Butte County with library experience pursuing lib degree... starting September 28th.

Looking forward to new Children's Librarian. Hiring process in October.

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Library staff members Maureen Jeffers and Leslie Botsford are the official volunteer coordinators, still working out division of labor, but Leslie definitely still has the teens.

COUNTY DIRECTOR: Melanie Lightbody

Chico Children's Librarian: 26 qualified applicants. Tehama County Library and Carey Gross will be on the oral interview process. MLS degree, 2 years' experience, and able to fill out an application, were the minimum skills demonstrated by the 26 applicants.

Librarian exchange will be evaluated in process – issues and opinions from FOL will be solicited. Mel is looking at leaving in 5-6 years. Mel would like Sarah to be able to qualify to take the Director's job.

Sunday hours: goal, unofficial, is to start November 1st. Chico/Oro/Para/Grid will be open Sundays 1-5pm. Durham, no new hours. Biggs open on Saturdays.

JOINT FRIENDS OF THE LIBRARY:

Mary Wahl reported on the Butte County Centennial celebration, which will be held at the Durham Memorial Hall, November 16, 1-3PM. Nancy Brower will speak on history. Oliver Allen is doing a photo montage. A disk jockey will play era-appropriate music, and there will be food. Each branch will have a table.

LIBRARY ADVISORY REPORT: Patti Conlin's first meeting is October 9th.

ONGOING AND NEW BUSINESS

PUZZLES: How many sold? Where are they stored? As of 8/31/13, 17 puzzles sold. They are stored at Don Kidd's house. Marian and Mary both know how to get the puzzles out of Don's storage shed.

FALL FESTIVAL: October 19. Ann Elliott circulated signup sheets. Bango-oligy and Peak Experience are both coming. Mary Wahl reports 10 authors are coming.

NAME TAGS FOR BOARD MEMBERS: Diane is still working on this.

THURSDAY NIGHT FARMER'S MARKET, ANNIE B'S: Oliver will have a table at the Thursday Night Market's Annie B event. He wants somebody to sit with him on September (Thursday this week). Rupert will sit with him.

LINDA LEAHY THANK YOU GIFT: Ann Elliott

Meeting was adjourned at 8:15pm (m/s/c Milling/Wahl).

Next meeting: October 15, 2013, third Tuesday of the month.